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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Zhiping Yin et al. Examiner: Jose Diaz
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Title OXYGEN PLASMA TREATMENT FOR NITRIDE SURFACE TO REDUCE
PHOTO FOOTING

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed April 7, 2004, said period of response being extended from July 7, 2004 to September 7, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.
Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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